

## WAS A DAY OF SLAUGHTER

FEARFUL BARBARITIES COMMITTED BY TURKS ON ARMENIANS.

Men Burned at the Stake—Shrieks of Women and Cries of Children Rent the Air—One Village Was Completely Looted—Women Were Shot to Death.

Boston, Dec. 1.—The following account of the massacre and plunder at Balboort has been translated from an Armenian paper by an Armenian resident of Boston:

"Sunday, October 1, was a day of slaughter and plunder at Balboort; a day of joy for the Turks and of sorrow and mourning for the Armenian people. About 3 o'clock on the afternoon of September 30, news reached us that 500 Lazs from Sarmene were marching on Balboort for the purpose of slaughtering the Armenians of the place. The local government sent some influential Laz boys with local meefi and other Turkish clergymen to meet these savage northerners and dissuade them from attacking the Armenians, as they were inoffensive people, were not rebels but loyal subjects of the sultan. Their efforts were in vain.

October 1, Sunday, the Lazs, numbering nearly 1,000 persons and led by some Turks belonging to Balboort and dependent villages, attacked the Armenian villages, beginning with the village of Looshouk, which is entirely inhabited by Armenians. This village is about six miles wide, in an easterly direction from Balboort. The work of slaughter and plunder began as follows:

About 10 o'clock Sunday morning Tailoor Agha, a notable of the village of Neume, accompanied by four armed Turks, came to Looshouk to take away some cattle belonging to him. This village is going to be attacked, he said. 'I want to save my property.' The villagers, suspecting some sinister motives, delivered the cattle without allowing Tailoor and his gang to enter the village. The next day about 3 o'clock (9 a. m.) the village was surrounded by a mob numbering a thousand and armed with Martini rifles. With them were a large number of beasts of burden led by some seventy Turkish women. Among the crowd were seen a number of well known Turks from the city and neighboring villages, some of whom were the following: Pelid Ogloo Hajj Mehmed, from Birghit village, two hours from Looshouk; Poosh Ogloo Beshir, from Anzer, the son of Hajj Kheom, and Tili Oglossert, the famous brigand, from Lurmen, derwish from Koshgour, an hour and a half from Looshouk; Ibrahim Bey from Taght; the sons of Jinghon Yooseof from Korman, two hours from Looshouk; and Khalid and Jimini Eusein from the city. The last named individual had for some time lived in Looshouk, and knew every nook and corner of the place. He was therefore chosen to lead the attack on the village.

The mob was largely composed of the followers of the above named individuals. Upon the appearance of this armed force the villagers dispatched a messenger to inform the government of the situation, and asked for immediate help. In response to this appeal, the government sent three Zaptiehs who started for the scene of the trouble with no particular haste, staying over night in Roumel village, and when they arrived at Looshouk the next day the bloody work was completed and the stillness of death reigned. The savage horde, after a siege of seven hours, attacked the village. The villagers had left their houses and taken refuge in the school building, which was quite large. The barbarians, after plundering every house and loading their mules with the booty set some of the buildings, as well as the hay stacks, on fire, and then proceeded to attack the school house. What could the poor, unarmed people inside do? The shrieks of women and cries of children rent the air. Bullets began showering in through the windows. In the darkness none could tell who was hurt or killed. The poor people crying piteously, "take all we have, but for God's sake spare our lives." But none would listen to their entreaties. They seemed rather to increase their fury as now they proceeded to set the building on fire. Some who were wounded and lying on the floor begged those who were rushing out of the building to save them from being burned alive, not to trample on them, but no voice could be heard or any object seen in the din and darkness.

But those who left the burning schoolhouse could not escape their fate, as they were to be burnt on stakes which the fiendish mob was preparing outside. The Spanish inquisitors never practiced such cruelties. The stoutest heart would quail before such a scene of unspeakable barbarities. Those coming out of the schoolhouse were surrounded and the space in front of the building soon took the appearance of a slaughter house. One of Hajj Khoomris' sons, assisted by three ruffians, seized Mahdesi Idepan, thirty-eight years old, stripped him naked and then killed him by a shower of bullets from their rifles. Then they seized Idepan's brother Tevos, thirty years old, tied his hands, laid him down on the steps of the schoolhouse and cut his head off like a chip, and then with their daggers hacked to pieces the dead bodies of the two martyrs.

Moosa, son of Birghit, of Mooshangas, with his followers, seized Nabadad Aslanian, saying, "Come, come, I have been looking for you. See how I am going to kill you." As he uttered the last word he plunged his dagger into his victim's abdomen, twisting it round and round until the intestines were forced out. After these horrible barbarities the leader of these murderers called the mob to order.

ed, not even a broom being left. Some of the ruffians seized Dallon, wife of Hajj Hagop Madigian and Toze, wife of Aroot Keyha (headman of the village) asking them to tell where Martini rifles were concealed in the village. The women declared that they did not know, had never seen such rifles. They were shot dead.

Then they picked out from the crowd of women three handsome ones, namely, Mariam Ghagosian, Aznive Idepanian and Acohi Krikorian, all newly married brides. Some of the ruffians cut off Acohi's hair with their daggers, spat into her mouth three times and handed her over to eight fellow ruffians. Some one brought the large picture of Krikor Loosavorich (Gregory, the Illuminator, the founder of the Armenian church) from the monastery of Loosavorich, which is close by the village. The mob gathered around the picture. They cut out the beard and defiled it and the rest of the picture they cut to pieces with their daggers.

While the attention of the ruffians was attracted by the picture, the two brides, Aznive and Acohi, made their escape. The savage mob, infuriated by the disappearance of their intended victims, wreaked their vengeance by killing Haganoosh, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mahdesi Idepan, their first victim; Garabed, five years old, and Goomash, two years old, son and daughter of Nabadad Aslanian, already murdered; Zarmen, wife of Kanyan Garabed; Anna, wife of Sahag, and Aroot Keyha, husband of Toze, mentioned above. The savagery reached its climax when they ripped open with daggers a pregnant woman, Gadarine, wife of Hoxhanness Avakian. After finishing their work of slaughter and plunder, the mob left the place carrying with them Mariam, the poor bride who made her escape, but had been captured later, also Avak Chakogan, thirty-five years old, to drive the cattle.

The remainder of the villagers scattered in all directions. A few found shelter in Kep Khan and others went to Maden village. Garin (Armenian name for Erzerum) and other places, appealing their hunger on the way with roots and herbs. All the costly ornaments of the village church and the monastery of Loosavorich were carried away by the plunderers. The Bibles were thrown on the streets and trampled under foot. The number of killed, wounded and missing is not known. After finishing their work in Looshouk the mob attacked the village of Ammoshga, two hours from Looshouk, where they plundered the church and defiled it.

They then turned their attention to Roumel, one hour and a half from Looshouk. Here the mob was joined by Chief Brigand Lefer Agha and his gang. They committed great barbarities in this village and killed four men. They were Toros Kerkorian, twenty-seven years old; Hoospe, twenty-five years old; Mughderich, thirty-six years old, and Kapriel, nineteen years old. The next day the robbers attacked the monastery of Saint Christopher. They tore the pictures to pieces, defiled the church and carried away all the cows, buffaloes, bulls, horses, all the grains and furniture, as well as all the treasures of the monastery, leaving the place completely wrecked and ruined.

The next point of attack was the village of Khopoz, which is only half an hour's walk from the monastery of Saint Christopher. This place was also thoroughly plundered. The next day the mob attacked and plundered the following villages, viz., Tsin, Karavag, Pleag, Ksanta, Khavag, Kerghi, Ousdegh, Bagrits, Balakor, where four men were killed, according to government report, two killed and two mortally wounded in Arudgha. Two more were wounded in last evening's attack in the latter place. In Lu Kerghi three were killed and two wounded. Among the killed in Balakor was Hagop Kashilian, thirty-five years old. He had just returned to his family after an imprisonment of eight months on a trumped-up charge. His uncle, Mahdesi Boghos, and his son Ezekiel, and several others, were also killed. Communication among the villagers has been stopped; consequently it is impossible to obtain information as to the total loss of each village.

Wild terror reigns in the city. About 9 o'clock (3 p. m.) October 4, the robbers, numbering nearly seven hundred, began to collect at the head of the city, preparing to attack the Armenian houses. They were openly, and in sight of all, sharpening their knives and daggers. The government, especially the alay emini (regimental head), being informed of the threatened attack, hastened to the place where the mob had gathered and dispersed it. All the Armenians remain in their houses. All the shops are closed for a week past. The poorer families are in a bewildered state, not knowing whether to turn for succor.

What will the poor people in the villages and in the city do the coming winter?

## AT ST. PAUL'S.

Last Evening for the First Time the Choir of St. Paul's Occupied the Chancel During the Services.

Last evening for the first time the choir of St. Paul's church occupied the chancel during the services. St. Paul's guild will give their monthly reception for December to-morrow evening in the parish house. On Thursday evening, December 5, an entertainment will be given under the auspices of the guild in the parish house. The New Haven Orchestral club, under the direction of Arthur H. Jackson, will render an excellent program. Mrs. Augustus F. Howell, of Boston, an eloquent and impersonator of musical ability, has been engaged for the occasion. The entertainment promises to be an excellent one.

On Friday evening Rev. William Beardsley of St. Thomas' church will lecture upon Bishop Kemper.

Religious Services on the Campus. Prof. Ladd preached at Battell chapel yesterday morning from the text, "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father, which is in heaven." He said that the deeds of men do not compose the light mentioned in the text, but they are simply the reflection of the true light, which is the soul, and told of the ways in which this light can be made to shine with advantage to God and man. Rev. Mr. Douglas, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, addressed the Dwight hall meeting at 6:45 in the evening.



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